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### IMLA SELECTS BRIGHAM COOK SMITH TO RECEIVE THE 2007 DANIEL J. CURTIN, JR. YOUNG PUBLIC LAYWER AWARD

During a ceremony on October 30, 2007, IMLA awarded the first Daniel J. Curtin Young Public Lawyer Award to Brigham Cook Smith.

Mr. Smith, City Attorney for Lansing, Michigan, currently manages a staff of 11 lawyers in a city that employs almost 1100 public employees. In Lansing, Mr. Smith has been at the center of a host of City and regional issues, including a case before the Michigan Supreme Court challenging the right of a major energy company to move a hazardous pipeline through the City of Lansing. He has also served as chief negotiator on a project that saved Lansing's century old Potter Park Zoo from extinction. Prior to his

appointment as Lansing City Attorney, Brigham was a partner in the law firm of Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP and served in the White House under President Clinton.

The award seeks to recognize a public law practitioner who has provided outstanding service to the public and who possesses an exemplary reputation in the legal community, the highest of ethical standards, and who revels in maintaining a life that balances a passion for professional excellence and the joy of family and friends. IMLA congratulates Mr. Smith as the first recipient of the Daniel J. Curtin, Jr. Young Public Lawyer Award.



Brigham Cook Smith